

Sinclair Broadcasting's determination to make their television stations into propaganda machines (e.g., their refusal to air Ted Koppel's tribute to fallen soldiers and their intention to air an anti-Kerry "documentary" as "news") powerfully demonstrates the dangers of media consolidation (monopolies). PLEASE change these regulations before we enter into a new era where the only messages coming over the public airwaves are from partisan moguls who are rich enough to control the airwaves (and ultimately the nation?).

This most recent example shows why media ownership rules should be strengthened, not weakened and why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a rubber stamp!

This is not free speech. This is not "public service". This is propaganda, pure and simple.

Thank you.